

**ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE**

A method of using a non-wooden material to manufacture a shipping base is disclosed. Preferably, the shipping base is made from a plurality of non-wooden boards, such as those made from recycled siding materials or a plurality of particles secured together by a resin, and assembled into a shipping base. The boards are then glued, nailed, screwed or otherwise secured together in a desired shape. Additional features, such as styrofoam pieces and securing holes can be added as needed. By using non-wooden materials to make the shipping base, import restrictions, fines and bans on the importation of wood can be avoided to minimize the cost and burden of shipping non-wooden materials.